

70. On the Structure of the Graded C -Algebras of Theta Functions

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Introduction. Let (X, \mathcal{L}) be a polarized abelian variety of dimension n over the complex number field C defined by an abelian variety X and an ample invertible sheaf \mathcal{L} on X . The purpose of this note is to give some information on the graded C -algebra $\mathcal{A}(X, \mathcal{L}) = \bigoplus_{\alpha=0}^{\infty} H^0(X, \mathcal{L}^{\alpha})$. We understand, by the Siegel space \mathcal{H}_n of degree n , the set of all complex symmetric matrices with positive imaginary part. We have, for $z \in \mathcal{H}_n$ and a square matrix e of size n with coefficients in Z and $\det e \neq 0$, a naturally polarized complex torus $C^n / \langle z, e \rangle$ where $\langle z, e \rangle$ is the lattice subgroup of C^n generated by the column vectors of the $(n \times 2n)$ -matrix (z, e) . After a suitable choice of (z, e) , $C^n / \langle z, e \rangle$ is isomorphic to (X, \mathcal{L}) and the investigation of $\mathcal{A}(X, \mathcal{L})$ is reduced to that of the graded C -algebra consisting of theta functions on C^n relative to $\langle z, e \rangle$ of certain types.

Besides the above notations \mathcal{H}_n , e , etc., we indicate some definitions and notations which are used throughout this note. C^n etc. denote the set of column n -vectors with components in C etc. Z_+ and N denote the set of all positive integers and $Z_+ \cup \{0\}$, respectively. For $\alpha, \beta \in Z_+$, g.c.d. (α, β) is the greatest common divisor of α and β . In general for e as above (resp. $\alpha \in Z_+$), U_e (resp. U_{α}) denotes a complete set of representatives of ${}^t e^{-1} Z^n$ (resp. $\alpha^{-1} Z^n$) mod Z^n , which is once for all fixed through in a discussion. When we write $k = \begin{pmatrix} k_1 \\ k_2 \end{pmatrix} \in R^{2n}$, k_1 and k_2 are its upper and lower halves in R^n . We put $e(t) = \exp(2\pi\sqrt{-1}t)$. $\theta[k](z|x)$ is a holomorphic function on $(z, x) \in \mathcal{H}_n \times C^n$, which is defined by

$$\theta[k](z|x) = \sum_{r \in Z^n} e^{\left\{ \frac{1}{2} {}^t(r+k_1)z(r+k_1) + {}^t(r+k_1)(x+k_2) \right\}}.$$

For $\alpha \in N$, $z \in \mathcal{H}_n$ and $m = \begin{pmatrix} m_1 \\ m_2 \end{pmatrix} \in R^{2n}$, an entire function $\xi(x)$ not identically zero on C^n is called a theta function of type $((z, e), m)_{\alpha}$, if the period relation, for any $\begin{pmatrix} s_1 \\ s_2 \end{pmatrix} \in Z^{2n}$,

$$\xi\left(x + (z, e)\begin{pmatrix} s_1 \\ s_2 \end{pmatrix}\right) \cdot \xi(x)^{-1} = e^{\left\{ \alpha \left(-{}^t s_1 x - \frac{1}{2} {}^t s_1 z s_1 + ({}^t s_1, {}^t s_2) \begin{pmatrix} m_1 \\ m_2 \end{pmatrix} \right) \right\}}$$